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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2001 (Paper No. 8) in the above-identified action. This response is being timely filed on or before January 10, 2002 in view of the simultaneous filing of a one-month Petition for Extension of Time.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the drawings:

A proposed Drawing Amendment is attached hereto. Approval is respectfully requested. Amended formal drawings will be submitted upon receipt of a Notice of Allowance.

In the specification:

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